

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Priest et al. Appl. No.: 09/987,040

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Title : MESSAGE EXCHANGE SERVER ALLOWING NEAR REAL-TIME

EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES AND METHOD

Grp./A.U.: 2142

Examiner : Kamini S. Shah

Docket No.: 13808

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

It is respectfully requested that a $\underline{3}$ month extension of time, until <u>January 26, 2006</u>, be granted in which to respond to the <u>Initial Office Action</u> dated <u>July 26, 2005</u>. The statutory fee of $\underline{\$510.00}$ for the $\underline{3}$ month extension is attached. Any deficiencies in the extension of time fees may be charged to Deposit Account No. 04-1577.

Respectfully submitted,

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